

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

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Dear David:

As we discussed, enclosed are (1) background materials on the historical fires at Eastern Diversified Metals (2) TSDF and ISCLT air modeling guidance and (3) some additional comments (mainly editorial) on the RI and EA reports.

If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON THE EASTERN DIVERSIFIED METALS RI AND EA REPORTS

Remedial Investigation Report

SECTION I

- 1. Page 1-2, last paragraph. Doesn't runoff from the interior northern diversion ditch enter the runoff lagoon where it evaporates or infiltrates, bypassing the treatment plant? The wording in this paragraph is misleading in that it suggests that the runoff from this ditch enters the treatment plant.
- 2. Page 1-3, first paragraph. Fourth line should say "southwest" instead of southeast.

SECTION II

1. Page 2-1, paragraph 2, last sentence. Isn't a trout fishery located three miles downstream? If so, this sentence should be corrected.

SECTION III

- 1. Figure 3-1. The legend should say "Weston" air sampling locations, not Western.
- 2. Figure 3-2. The symbol for SSD-1 is barely visible on the figure.
- 3. Page 3-7, 3.4.4.1, second sentence. Pile boring locations are not shown in Figure 3-2 as stated, but should be.
- 4. Page 4-2, eighth line. Delete the word "of".

Endangerment Assessment Report

- 1. Page 1-2, second full paragraph, fourth line. Should say "southwest" instead of southeast.
- 2. Page 1-5, last paragraph, second sentence. Delete the words, "small smoldering". As you can see from the enclosed photocopy, at least one of the fires was rather large and did more than simply smolder.
- 3. Appendix B, Page 2. Heading should read "Ecotoxicology", not Exo.

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